

# **SENATE**

# of the 112th General Assembly 2021—2022

Lieutenant Governor Randy McNally, Speaker

Ferrell Haile, Speaker Pro Tempore

Jack Johnson, Republican Leader

**Jeff Yarbro,** Democratic Leader

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#### The Senate Chamber

Located in the northeast corner of the Capitol, this chamber measures 34 feet, eight inches by 70 feet, three inches, and is 40 feet high. The walls are ornamented with eight Ionic pilasters which are three feet wide and project six inches from the wall. They are crowned by a full entablature which is seven feet, one and three-quarter inches high. The ceiling is divided into radiating panels, or lacunae. The room is lit by eleven large windows on the east and north sides. On the north, west, and south sides is a gallery measuring ten feet, nine inches in width. The railing to the visitors gallery is made of cast iron and has a spear and shield pattern on it. The gallery is supported by twelve unfluted Ionic columns, three feet, five-and-a-half inches in circumference, by ten feet, three inches in height.

The column shafts are of red variegated marble, the bases of black, and the capitals of white marble. The architraves were formerly of white and red marble. These marbles were principally obtained in Hawkins County and are strikingly beautiful.

The gasolier has been electrified but is original. In it are seen two of Tennessee's chief antebellum cash crops, corn and tobacco, as well as one of our former game animals, the elk.

Originally, the chamber had an eight-day marble-faced clock on the west wall. Two fireplaces helped heat the chamber. These were on the north and south walls. Their openings have been plugged but are visible behind the modern press booths. The lobby of the Senate was formed by eight heavy sofas placed between the columns to the rear of the chamber. They were veneered with oak. The draperies were originally a fine silk and worsted damask, with 160 yards used in the chamber. The cornices above them were of gilded wood. The original window glass was made near Knoxville. The Speaker's dais was originally made of East Tennessee marble. However, it was removed in the 1950s in a remodeling of the chamber.





Dear Friends,

As Lieutenant Governor and on behalf of the Tennessee Senate, I am proud to introduce you to the chamber and its membership.

Our members, who each represent roughly 200,000 Tennesseans, come from all walks of life and have a wide variety of experience. Our members are doctors, lawyers and business executives but also blue-collar workers and small business people.

Utilized since 1853, Tennessee has one of the oldest working capitol buildings in the country. Since that time the Senate chamber has borne witness to many historic debates. Speeches delivered here have resonated well beyond the upstairs gallery ushering change to the entire country. As just one instance of this chamber's historical impact, women in the United States obtained the right to vote in August 1920 when the Tennessee General Assembly ratified the Nineteenth Amendment. The amendment's jubilant supporters dubbed Tennessee "the perfect 36" because, as the thirty-sixth of the forty-eight states to approve the amendment, it rounded out the three-fourths majority required to amend the U.S. Constitution.

Today, the upper chamber of the Tennessee General Assembly remains proud of its history and its accomplishments as we continue to confront the modern challenges facing our state.

Our legislative session convenes on the second Tuesday in January every year. While in session, the Senate generally meets two to three days a week with the remainder of the week reserved for committees and other meetings.

To ensure maximum openness and transparency, all our meetings can be viewed at any time through the legislature's website. I hope you enjoy this introduction to the Senate chamber and that you stay informed and engaged with your state government.

Sincerely,

Randy McNally

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### The Honorable Randy McNally

Lt. Governor and Speaker of the Senate

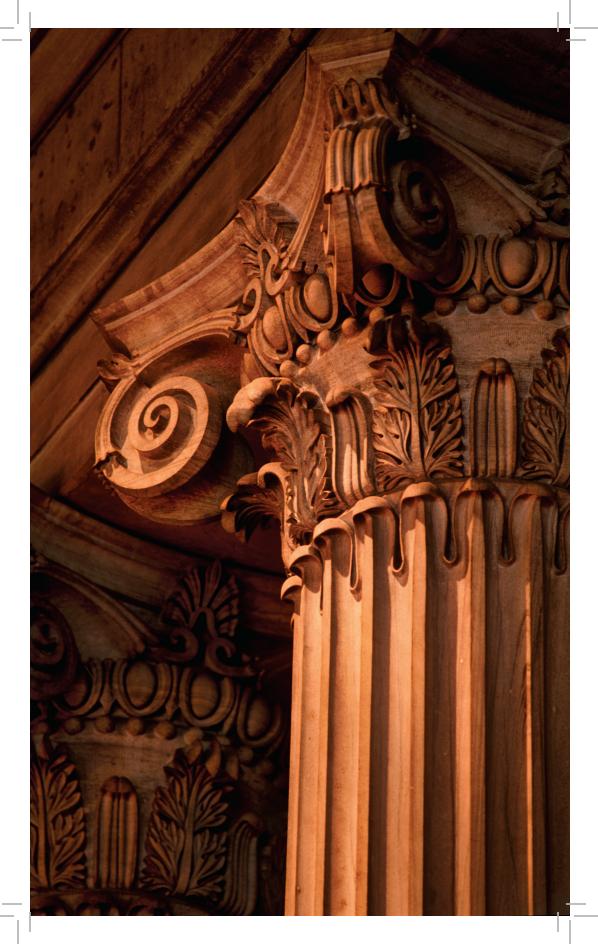
Tennessee's fiscal conscience, Lt. Governor Randy McNally is only the second Republican Tennessee Senate Speaker in modern history and the first from Anderson County in nearly 150 years.

As chairman of the Senate's Finance, Ways and Means Committee for a decade, McNally oversaw the General Assembly's only constitutionally prescribed duty: the passage of a balance budget. Recognized across the state as a finance and budget expert, McNally's leadership has been critical in keeping Tennessee's budget in balance and its credit "Triple-A" rated.

In addition to his 26 years on the Senate Finance Ways and Means Committee, McNally also served as chairman of the Senate Education Committee in the 102nd and 103rd General Assemblies.

A legislative leader for over four decades, Lt. Governor McNally has been recognized for both his work with the General Assembly and in his community. McNally counts among his many achievements the American Conservative Union Conservative Achievement Award, NFIB's Guardian of Small Business Award, the Tennessee Association of Chiefs of Police Legislative Award and the Tennessee Press Association Open Government Award.

McNally received his B.S. from Memphis State University in 1967 and graduated from the University of Tennessee College of Pharmacy in 1969. He served as a hospital pharmacist at Methodist Medical Center in Oak Ridge from 1979 until his retirement in 2010. Lt. Governor McNally and his wife Janice have two adult daughters, Melissa and Maggie, three grandchildren, Haley, Morgan and Trent and one great-grandchild, Malachi.





Speaker Pro Tempore
FERRELL HAILE
of Sumner County

Address: 1900 Cairo Road Gallatin 37066

Date of Birth: 2/2/46

Marital Status: Married

Occupation: Pharmacist/Cattle Farming

**Politics:** Republican

Religious Preference and Organizational Affiliations: Church of Christ; B.S. in Pharmacy,

University of Tennessee-Memphis; Previous Co-owner of Perkins Drugs in Gallatin and pharmacies in Davidson, Robertson and Sumner Counties; Owner, Haile Farms; Former Board Member, Gallatin Christian Towers and Manor; Previous Board Member, World Christian Broadcasting Corp., Nashville; Previous Sumner County Department of Health; President, Southeast Community Fire Department; Past President, Tennessee Pharmacy Cooperative; Past Vice President, American Pharmacy Cooperative, Inc.; Past President, Gallatin Noon Rotary Club; Member, Gallatin Morning Rotary Club; Leadership Sumner Alumni; Tennessee Cattleman's Association; NRA; Farm Bureau; Tennessee Pharmacy Association; National Community Pharmacist Association; Chambers of Commerce of Gallatin, Hartsville, Hendersonville, Hermitage, Old Hickory, Portland, Westmoreland and Whitehouse; Treasurer, Senate Republican Caucus.

Member of Senate: Part of the 107th, 108th, 109th, 110th and 111th General Assemblies.

**Counties Represented:** Sumner, Trousdale, and Part of Davidson – 18th Senatorial District.

### **Leadership Position Description**

The Majority and Minority Leaders are elected for a term of two years by their party's caucus during the organizational session of the General Assembly. They are the spokesmen for their parties in the Senate.

The Leaders also have the responsibility of coordinating the legislative efforts of Senate members with work being done by the House of Representatives. The Leaders are policy spokesmen for the executive branch of state government when the Governor is affiliated with the same political party.

The Leaders work for the legislative interests and policies of their party. They maintain frequent contact with the party leadership of both houses of the General Assembly. They are members of key Senate committees and are frequent advocates of important legislation of interest to their parties.

During debate on the Senate floor, it is the Leaders who consult with members of their party to develop tactics used in connection with passing or defeating legislation under consideration.



Republican Leader

JACK JOHNSON

of Williamson County

Address: 330 Franklin Road, Suite 135-A-178,

Brentwood 37027 **Date of Birth:** 7/25/68

Marital Status: Married

Occupation: President, LFGS, LLC.

Politics: Republican

#### **Religious Preference and Organizational**

Affiliations: Attends Grace Chapel Church in Leiper's Fork; B.S., Education, Texas State University; Senate Majority Leader; Senate Finance, Ways and Means Committee; Senate Commerce and Labor Committee; Senate Calendar Committee; Senate Republican Caucus; Joint Pensions and Insurance Committee; Member, State Capitol Commission; Member, Tennessee Complete Count Committee for Census 2020; Member, Williamson, Inc. Chamber of Commerce; Member, BrightStone Board of Directors; Lifetime Member, National Rifle Association; Member, Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association.

Member of Senate: 105th, 106th, 107th, 108th, 109th, 110th, and 111th General Assemblies.

**County Represented:** Williamson – 23rd Senatorial District.



JEFF YARBRO of Davidson County

Address: 425 Rep. John Lewis Way N. Suite 764

Cordell Hull Bldg. Nashville, TN 37243

Date of Birth: 2/16/77 Marital Status: Married Occupation: Attorney Politics: Democrat

#### **Religious Preference and Organizational**

Affiliations: Episcopalian; B.A., Harvard University; J.D., University of Virginia; Christ Church Cathedral; Capital Campaign Co-Chair for Casa Azafran; Board of Directors for East End Preparatory School; Nashville Bar Association; Tennessee Bar Association; Advisory Committee for Tennessee College of Applied Technology.

Member of Senate: 109th, 110th and 111th General Assemblies.

County Represented: Part of Davidson—21st Senatorial District.



Republican Caucus Chair
KEN YAGER
of Roane County

**Address:** 425 Rep. John Lewis Way N. Suite 704 Cordell Hull Bldg. Nashville, TN 37243

Date of Birth: 1/5/47

Marital Status: Married

Occupation: Assistant Professor of

History and Law

Politics: Republican

Religious Preference and Organizational Affiliations: Baptist; B.A., University of Tennessee at Martin, 1969; M.S., University of Tennessee at Martin, 1972; J.D., University of Memphis, 1977. Roane County Attorney, 1978-1982; Roane County Executive, 1982-2006; Tennessee Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations, 1995-1998 and 2002-2006; Tennessee Workforce Board, 1995-1998. Board of Directors: Michael Dunn Center; Board Member and Former Chairman: Community Reuse Organization of East Tennessee; Member: Dayton Rotary Club; Rockwood Civitan Club; Chambers of Commerce of Oak Ridge, Dayton, Spring City, Campbell, Fentress, Morgan, Pickett, Roane, and Scott Counties; Gideon; Southgate Lodge No. 569 F & AM; Life Member: National Rifle Association. Service in Public Office: Senate Republican Caucus Chairman; Member: State and Local Government Committee; Finance, Ways and Means Committee; Ethics Committee; Joint Fiscal Review Committee; Executive Board Member: SSEB; 2019 Executive Committee Member: SLC; Energy & Environment Committee for SLC; Natural Resources & Infrastructure Committee for NCSL; Redistricting & Elections Committee for NCSL; Senate Representative: Southern States Energy Board; Tennessee Commission on Aging and Disability; National Conference of State Legislators Nuclear Workgroup. Awards and Honors: 2018 Veterinarians Legislator of the Year; 2017 TENCO Legislator of the Year; 2017 Legislator of the Year Award, Southeast Tennessee Development District; 2016 Dr. T.K. Hutchinson Award, Tennessee Electric Cooperatives; 2016 Friend of Conservation Award, Morgan County Soil Conservation District; 2016 Advocate of the Year Award, Roane County Anti-Drug Coalition; 2015 Public Service Award, Scott County Chamber of Commerce; 2015 Appreciation Award, Tennessee Development District Association; 2014 Open Government Award, The Tennessee Press Association; 2014 Legislator of the Year Award, TN 911; 2013 Republican of the Year Award, Roane County Republican Party; 2013 Legislator of the Year Award, Greater Nashville Regional Council; 2013 Legislator of the Year Award, East Tennessee Development District; 2013 Legislator of the Year Award, Southeast Tennessee Development District.

Member of Senate: 106th, 107th, 108th, 109th, 110th and 111th General Assemblies.

**Counties Represented:** Campbell, Fentress, Morgan, Pickett, Rhea, Roane, and Scott—12th Senatorial District.



# Democratic Caucus Chair RAUMESH AKBARI of Shelby County

**Address:** 425 Rep. John Lewis Way N. Suite 762 Cordell Hull Bldg. Nashville, TN 37243

Date of Birth: 4/14/84 Marital Status: Single Occupation: Attorney Politics: Democrat

#### **Religious Preference and Organizational**

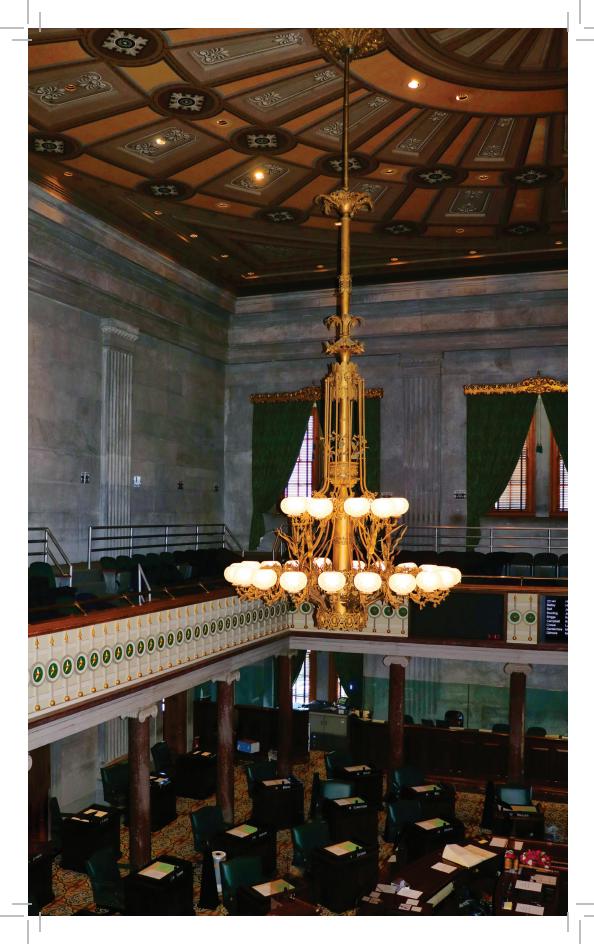
Affiliations: Baptist; B.A., Washington University; J.D., St. Louis University School of Law; Democratic Caucus Chairman, Member, Leadership Council for 2017, The Council of State Governments, Co-Chair, Interbranch Affairs Committee, The Council of State Governments, State Leader, Women in Government, Chair, Tennessee Black Caucus of State Legislators, Treasurer, National Black Caucus of State Legislators, Financial Secretary, National Organization of Black Elected Legislative Women, Co-Chair, Committee on Children, Youth and Families, National Black Caucus of State Legislators, Democratic Party of Shelby County, Shelby County Young Democrats, Democratic Women of Shelby County, NAACP, Memphis Urban League Young Professionals, Washington University's Paul Robeson Award for Leadership, Region IX Legislator of the Year, The national Black Caucus of State Legislators (2016), Woman of the Year, The National Organization of Black Elected Legislative Women (2016), Reformer Award, National Juvenile Justice Network (2016), Advocacy Award, Mothers of the Nile (2016), 2014 The Memphis Flyer's "20 under 30" List, The 2014 Spark Award, National Organization of Black Elected Legislative Women.

**Member of Senate:** 111th General Assembly.

Member of House of Representatives: 108th, 109th and

110th General Assemblies.

Counties Represented: Part of Shelby—29th Senatorial District.





**PAUL BAILEY** of White County

Address: 7052 Roberts-Matthews Highway,

Cookeville 38506

Date of Birth: 3/4/68

Marital Status: Married

Occupation: Trucking, Farmer

Politics: Republican

Religious Preference and Organizational Affiliations: Christian; B.A., Tennessee Tech University; Tennessee Farm Bureau, Tennessee Cattlemen's Association, FACCT, Tennessee Quarter Horse Association, National Reined Cow Horse Association, American Quarter Horse Association, National Rifle Association, TSEA, NFIB, Tennessee Firearms Association, and Member of Bledsoe, Cumberland, Jackson, Overton, Putnam, and White County Chambers of Commerce.

Member of Senate: 109th, 110th and 111th General Assemblies.

Member of House of Representatives: 108th General Assembly.

Counties Represented: Bledsoe, Cumberland, Jackson, Overton, Putnam and

White—15th Senatorial District.



MIKE BELL of McMINN COUNTY

Address: 261 County Road 757, Riceville 37370

Date of Birth: 3/16/63

Marital Status: Married

Occupation: Small Business Owner & Farmer

**Politics:** Republican

Religious Preference and Organizational

Affiliations: Tennessee Farm Bureau; Tennessee Firearms Association; Claxton Volunteer Emergency Services; McMinn County Republican Party; Athens Area Chamber of Commerce; Etowah Chamber of Commerce; Cleveland/Bradley Chamber of Commerce; Meigs County Chamber of Commerce. Member of Senate: 107th, 108th, 109th, 110th and 111th General Assemblies.

Member of House of Representatives: 105th and 106th General Assemblies.

**Counties Represented:** Bradley, McMinn, Meigs, Monroe and Polk—9th Senatorial District.



JANICE BOWLING
Of Coffee County

**Address:** 425 Rep. John Lewis Way N. Suite 718 Cordell Hull Bldg. Nashville, TN 37243

Date of Birth: 4/1/1947

Marital Status: Married

**Occupation:** Former Special Education teacher

**Politics:** Republican

Religious Preference and Organizational Affiliations: Baptist; B.S., Auburn University; President, Tennessee Backroads Heritage; Past President, Arnold Community Council; Coffee/Moore County Service Unit of the Salvation Army; Board of Directors, Multi-County Cancer Support Network; Member, Motlow College Ladies Philanthropic Society; Southern Tennessee Ladies Society; UTSI Support Council; NRA Life Member; Eagle Forum; Alpha Chi Omega Social Sorority; Coffee County Senior Citizens; South Jackson Civic Association.

Member of Senate: 108th, 109th, 110th and 111th General Assemblies.

**Counties Represented:** Coffee, Franklin, Grundy, Marion, Sequatchie, Van Buren and Warren—16th Senatorial District.





RICHARD M. BRIGGS of Knox County

Address: 11631 Lanesborough Way # 913,

Knoxville 37934

Date of Birth: 12/7/52 Marital Status: Married Occupation: Physician Politics: Republican

Religious Preference and Organizational Affiliations: Methodist; B.S., Transylvania College; M.D., University of Kentucky; Postdoctoral General and Cardiothoracic Surgery, Brooke Army Medical Center; Former Chief of Staff, St. Mary's Medical Center; Board of Directors, St. Mary's/Tennova Medical Center; Board of Trustees, Knoxville Academy of Medicine; Vice-Chairman, Board of Trustees, Tennessee Medical Association; President, Knoxville Academy of Medicine, 2008; Leadership Knoxville, 2007-2008; Knox County Commissioner, District 5, 2008-2014; Knox County Finance Committee, Pension Board, Ethics Committee, Development Corporation Board; Normandy Scholars Program, 1999-2002; Knoxville Area Project Access, Volunteer Physician; Interfaith Health Clinic, Consulting Surgeon, Haiti Earthquake Emergency Relief, 2012; Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters, Army Commendation Medal with 4 Oak Leaf Clusters, Army Achievement Medal, Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal, National Defense Service Medal (3rd Award), Southwest Asia Service Medal with 3 Bronze Service Stars, Afghanistan Campaign Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal, Korea Defense Service Medal, Armed Forces Reserve Medal with "M" Device (3rd Award), Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon, Army Reserve Components Overseas Training Ribbon (2nd Award), Kuwait Liberation Medal (Kingdom of Saudi Arabia), Kuwait Liberation Medal (Kuwait), Flight Surgeon Badge, Physical Fitness Training Badge; 2006 Hero of the Year Award, Tennessee Hospital Association; 2006 President's Award, Knoxville Academy of Medicine; 2009 Healthcare Hero Award, Knoxville Business Journal; 2009 Outstanding Alumni Award, American Association of Community Colleges.

Member of Senate: 109th, 110th and 111th General Assemblies.

County Represented: Part of Knox—7th Senatorial District.



### Senator Heidi Campbell of Davidson County

Address: 425 Rep. John Lewis Way N. Suite 770

Cordell Hull Bldg. Nashville, TN 37243

**Date of Birth: 5/15/69** 

Marital Status: Married, two children

Occupation: Business Owner

Politics: Democrat

Religious Preference and Organizational Affiliations: Non-denominational; Former Mayor of Oak Hill, Former Board Member Greater Nashville Regional Council, Former Member Mayors' Caucus, Former Board Member Metro Solid Waste Board, Tennessee Women in Green, League of Women Voters, National Women's Political Caucus, Women for Tennessee's Future, Emerge Tennessee

Member of Senate: 112th General Assembly

Counties Represented: Part of Davidson County - 20th Senatorial District



### **DEWEY E. "RUSTY" CROWE, II** of Washington County

**Address:** 425 Rep. John Lewis Way N. Suite 720 Cordell Hull Bldg. Nashville, TN 37243

Date of Birth: 4/2/47 Marital Status: Married Occupation: Businessman

Politics: Republican

Religious Preference and Organizational Affiliations: Methodist; B.S., East Tennessee State University; J.D., Atlanta Law School; Veteran, United States Army; Member, Johnson City Lions Club; American Legion Post 24; Elks Club; Chair, Senate Health and Welfare Committee; Chair, Joint Select Committee on Veteran Affairs; Legislator of the Year, Tennessee Human Resource Agencies, 1993; State Senator of the Year, 1st District Tennessee Christian Coalition, 1994; Legislator of the Year, Tennessee Development District Association, 1997 and 2003; Melvin Jones Fellow.

**Member of Senate:** 97th, 98th, 99th, 100th, 101st, 102nd, 103rd, 104th, 105th, 106th, 107th, 108th, 109th, 110th and 111th General Assemblies.

**Counties Represented:** Carter, Unicoi and Washington—3rd Senatorial District.



TODD GARDENHIRE of Hamilton County

**Address:** 425 Rep. John Lewis Way N. Suite 732 Cordell Hull Bldg. Nashville, TN 37243

Date of Birth: 5/7/1948 Marital Status: Married

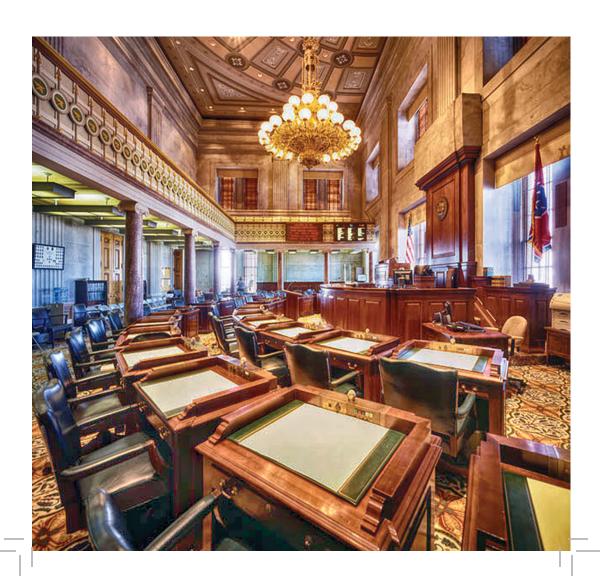
Occupation: Retired—43 years in Financial Industry

Politics: Republican

Religious Preference and Organizational Affiliations: Baptist; B.S., Business Administration, University of Tennessee at Chattanooga; Board Member, Awakening, Inc., 1994-present; Member, National Rifle Association; Hamilton County Pachyderm Club.

Member of Senate: 108th, 109th, 110th and 111th General Assemblies.

Counties Represented: Bradley and Part of Hamilton—10th Senatorial District.





### **BRENDA GILMORE** of Davidson County

**Address:** 425 Rep. John Lewis Way N. Suite 768 Cordell Hull Bldg. Nashville, TN 37243

Date of Birth: 12/9/1952 Marital Status: Married Occupation: Retired

Politics: Democrat

Religious Preference and Organizational Affiliations: Baptist; B.S. in Business, Tennessee State University; Master of Human Resource Development, Vanderbilt University; Chair, Tennessee Black Caucus of State Legislators (TBCSL), Nashville Metro Council 1999-2007, Former President, C.A.B.L.E., Member, League of Women Voters, Chair, Nominations Committee, Nashville Women Political Caucus, Women in the Numbers (WIN), First Vice President, NAACP, Lifetime Member, Tennessee State University Alumni Association, President, National Hook-Up of Black Women, Music City Chapter of Links, Top Ladies of Distinction, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Former Chair, Senior Expo 2003-04, Former Advisory Board, Junior League, Former President and Current Board Member, Senior Citizens Inc., President, Minerva Foundation, Former Chair, Davidson County Delegation 2010-14, The Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation for STEM, Graduated-Empowerment Congress Leadership Institute, Los Angeles, CA, Chair, The Northwest YMCA \$5 Million Capital Campaign, Past Chair of Hospital and Social Services Committee; Budget and Finance Committee; Planning and Zoning Committee; Parks, Library and Recreation Committee and Tourism and Commerce Committee on the Nashville Metro Council, Executive Board, National Black Caucus of Black Legislators, Executive Board, National Caucus Environmental Board (NCEL), Director, Women in Government, Former President, Women's Network, National Caucus State Legislator (NCSL), Inducted into the YWCA Women of Achievement Academy, Spirit of Leadership Presented by C.A.B.L.E., Public Service Award presented by Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Tennessee Masons, and Tennessee State University Alumni Association, Nominated for the Mary Catherine Strobel Volunteer of the Year Award, 2003 and 2006, Nominee for the Athena Award in 2003-2004, 2004 Advocacy Award by Metro Human Relations Commission, 2004 Harriet Foley Award presented by Senior Citizens, Inc., and 2003 Citizens Award presented by Pentecostal Tabernacle, Excellent Public Services presented by Tennessee Economic Council on Women, 2005.

Member of Senate: 111th General Assembly.

**Member of House of Representatives:** 105th, 106th, 107th, 108th, 109th and 110th General Assemblies.

Counties Represented: Part of Davidson—19th Senatorial District.



JOEY HENSLEY of Lewis County

Address: 855 Summertown Highway,

Hohenwald 38462

Date of Birth: 7/28/1955 Marital Status: Single Occupation: Physician Politics: Republican

Religious Preference and Organizational

Affiliations: Pentecostal; A.S., Columbia State Community College; B.S., University of Memphis; M.D., University of Tennessee-Memphis; Fellow: American Academy of Family Physicians; Member: Tennessee Academy of Family Physicians; Tennessee Medical Association; Lewis County Medical Examiner; Lewis County Health Council; Founding Member: Lewis County Education Foundation; Member: Lewis County Chamber of Commerce; Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce; Maury County Chamber of Commerce; Giles County Chamber of Commerce; Wayne County Chamber of Commerce; Airplane Owners and Pilots Association; Tennessee Right to Life; National Rifle Association; NFIB; Sons of Confederate Veterans.

Member of Senate: 108th, 109th, 110th and 111th General Assemblies.

**Member of House of Representatives:** 103rd, 104th, 105th, 106th and 107th General Assemblies.

**Counties Represented:** Giles, Lawrence, Lewis, Maury, Perry and Wayne—28th Senatorial District.



**ED JACKSON** of Madison County

Address: 25 Wyndhurst Dr., Jackson 38305

**Date of Birth:** 7/21/48 **Marital Status:** Married

Occupation: Retired, Small Business Owner

**Politics:** Republican

**Religious Preference and Organizational Affiliations:** Church of Christ; Lambuth University, Memphis State

University School of Business; Ohio State University; Tennessee National Guard, 30th Armored Brigade, Jackson YMCA Board Member (Former), 30th Armored Brigade Association, Board of Director Member, West TN Area Council of the Boy Scouts of America; Jackson Rotary Club, Jackson Chamber of Commerce, Crockett County Chamber of Commerce, Dyer County Chamber of Commerce, National Rifle Association, TN Firearms Association; Fraternal Order of Police; National Federation of Independent Business; Kappa Sigma Fraternity Alumni; Eagle Scout; Business of the Year by Jackson Chamber of Commerce 2012.

Member of Senate: 109th, 110th and 111th General Assemblies.

**Counties Represented:** Crockett, Dyer, Lake, Lauderdale and Madison—27th Senatorial District.



BRIAN KELSEY
Of Shelby County

**Address:** 425 Rep. John Lewis Way N. Suite 744 Cordell Hull Bldg. Nashville, TN 37243

Date of Birth: 12/22/77
Marital Status: Married
Occupation: Senior Attorney,
The Liberty Justice Center
Politics: Republican

Religious Preference and Organizational Affiliations: Christian; B.A. with Honors, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill; J.D., Georgetown University; Former Volunteer Children's Reader, Lester Community Center; Memphis University School Class of '13 Bible Study Leader; Member, Republican National Lawyers Association; Christian Legal Society; Tennessee and Memphis Bar Associations; Board Member, Federalist Society Memphis Lawyers Chapter; Former Member, Shelby County Republican Party Steering Committee; Shelby County Young Republicans Executive Board; Member, Greeter, and Former First Grade Sunday School Teacher, Fellowship Memphis Church; Methodist LeBonheur Germantown Hospital Advisory Board; Former Service: Office of Counsel to the President, George W. Bush; U.S. Senate Office of Bill Frist; U.S. Senate Committee Office of Fred Thompson; U.S. Congressional Office of Ed Bryant; Business Tennessee Magazine "30 Under 30", 2005; Memphis Business Journal "Top 40 Under 40", 2004; Memphis Area Legal Services Pro Bono Service Award, 2008.

Member of Senate: Part of 106th, 107th, 108th, 109th, 110th and 111th General Assemblies.

**Member of House of Representatives:** 104th through part of 106th General Assemblies.

**County Represented:** Part of Shelby—31st Senatorial District.



SARA P. KYLE of Shelby County

Address: 6421 Old Orchard Cove, Memphis 38119

**Date of Birth:** 10/21/52 **Occupation:** Attorney **Politics:** Democrat

Religious Preference and Organizational Affiliations: Presbyterian; University of Tennessee at Knoxville, Austin Peav State University; Middle

Tennessee State University; J.D., Nashville School of Law; Former Member, Tennessee Regulatory Authority; various community, civic, neighborhood, law, school and women organizations and associations.

Member of Senate: 109th, 110th and 111th General Assemblies. County Represented: Part of Shelby—30th Senatorial District.



JON LUNDBERG
of Sullivan County

**Address:** 425 Rep. John Lewis Way N. Suite 714 Cordell Hull Bldg. Nashville, TN 37243

**Date of Birth:** 6/26/61 **Marital Status:** Married **Occupation:** Public Relations

Politics: Republican

Religious Preference and Organizational Affiliations: Presbyterian; Married, Two Children: Samantha and Nelson; Bachelor's Degree, Communications, University of Southern Colorado; Attended Graduate School, Wichita State University; Commander, U.S. Navy Reserve; Bristol Morning Rotary Club; Kingsport Chamber of Commerce; Bristol Chamber of Commerce; Tusculum College President's Advisory Board; King College President's Roundtable; Virginia Intermont Board of Fellows; Thomas Green Lecture Series; Advisory Board, Neff Center for Science & Technology; Vice President, Rocky Mount Living History Museum; Past President, Tri-Cities Chapter, Public Relations Society of America; National Federation of Independent Business Owners; Sullivan County Republican Party; American Legislative Exchange Council; United States Naval Institute; Naval Reserve Association; Reserve Officer's Association; 32nd Degree Mason; Multiple Awards, Public Relations Society of America; Member of Senate Judiciary Committee; Second Vice-Chair, Senate Government Operations Committee; Chair, Joint Government Operations Commerce, Labor, Transportation and Agriculture Subcommittee.

Member of Senate: 110th and 111th General Assemblies.

Member of House of Representatives: 105th, 106th, 107th, 108th and 109th General Assemblies.

Counties Represented: Johnson, Carter and Sullivan—4th Senatorial District.





**BECKY DUNCAN MASSEY** of Knox County

Address: 6932 Westland Dr, Knoxville 37919

**Date of Birth:** 1/2/55 **Marital Status:** Married

Occupation: Executive Director, Sertoma Center

**Politics:** Republican

**Religious Preference and Organizational Affiliations:** Presbyterian; B.S., University of Tennessee, Knoxville;

Executive Director, Sertoma Center; President, Tennessee Community
Organizations; Cedar Springs Presbyterian Church; Member, Downtown Sertoma
Club; Leadership Knoxville-Class of 2005; Alpha Omicron Pi Alumnae; Charity
Auctions Volunteer; Sustaining Member, Akima Club; Co-Chaired 1992 Dogwood
Arts Festival; Delegate, 1988 Republican National Convention; Former Board,
Overlook Mental Health Center; Former Board, UT Alumnae-Knoxville Chapter;
Former Board, Dogwood Arts Festival; Former Board, Big Brothers-Big Sisters;
Secretary, Senate Republican Caucus; Chair, Senate Committee on Calendar.

Member of Senate: Part of 107th, 108th, 109th, 110th and 111th General Assemblies.

**County Represented:** Part of Knox—6th Senatorial District.



FRANK NICELEY of Jefferson County

Address: 1023 Creek Road, Strawberry Plains 37871

Date of Birth: 3/3/1947 Marital Status: Married Occupation: Farmer Politics: Republican

**Religious Preference and Organizational Affiliations:** Methodist; B.S., University of Tennessee; Member, Farm

Bureau and the National Rifle Association; 2nd Vice Chair, Senate Transportation and Safety Committee.

**Member of Senate:** 108th, 109th, 110th and 111th General Assemblies, **Member of House of Representatives:** 96th, 97th, 104th - 107th

General Assemblies

**County Represented:** Claiborne, Grainger, Hancock, Hawkins, Jefferson and Union—8th Senatorial District.



Mark Pody of Wilson County

Address: 113 South Cumberland Street, Lebanon, TN

**Date of Birth:** 4/23/56

Marital: Married
Politics: Republican
Occupation: Insurance

Religious Preference and Organizational Affiliations:

Christian, Chairman – Tennessee Legislative Prayer Caucus, Past President GAMA, NFIB Member, National Association of Financial & Insurances Advisors, Tennessee Firearms Association, Past President of General Agents & Managers Association, Chapter Life Underwriters, Chartered Financial Consultants, Civil Air Patrol, Private Pilot, Gideons International, NRA, Lebanon Lions Club, Tennessee Right to Life, Lebanon Rotary Club, Past Finance Chair – Lebanon Boy Scouts, Lebanon/Wilson Chamber of Commerce, Mt. Juliet Chamber of Commerce, Watertown East Wilson Chamber of Commerce, Cannon County Chamber of Commerce, Clay County Chamber of Commerce, Dekalb County Chamber of Commerce, Macon County Chamber of Commerce, Smith County Chamber of Commerce,

Member of Senate: Part of 110th and 111th General Assemblies

Member of House of Representatives: 107th, 108th, 109th and Part of 110th General Assemblies

**Counties Represented:** Cannon, Clay, Dekalb, Macon, Smith and Wilson – 17th Senatorial District



**BILL POWERS** of Montgomery County

**Address:** 425 Rep. John Lewis Way N. Suite 772 Cordell Hull Bldg. Nashville, TN 37243

**Date of Birth:** 3/10/57 **Marital Status:** Married

Occupation: Managing Partner, Wyatt-Johnson

Automotive Group **Politics:** Republican

Religious Preference and Organizational Affiliations: Methodist; B.A., University of Tennessee, Knoxville, with honors, Clarksville City Council, Past Chairman, Clarksville Gas and Water, Past Chairman, Board of Zoning Appeals, City of Clarksville, Past Chairman, Clarksville Parks and Recreation, Graduate, Leadership Middle Tennessee, Past Vice President, MNCSS Education Foundation, Past Board of Governors, University of Tennessee, Past Director, CDE/Lightband, City of Clarksville and Economic Development, City of Clarksville.

**Member of Senate:** Part of the 111th General Assembly.

County Represented: Houston, Montgomery and Stewart—22nd Senatorial District



SHANE REEVES of Rutherford County

Address: 352 W. Northfield Blvd. #3,

Murfreesboro 37129

Date of Birth: 1/18/68

Marital Status: Married

Occupation: CEO/Pharmacist

**Politics:** Republican

Religious Preference and Organizational Affiliations: Christian; B.S., Middle Tennessee State University; Doctorate of Pharmacy, UT College of Pharmacy; Rutherford County Chamber of Commerce; Leadership Rutherford; Leadership Middle Tennessee; National Federation of Independent Business (NFIB); Tennessee's Small Business Champion 2005, NFIB; "Business People of the Year" Award 2012, Rutherford County Chamber of Commerce; Fellows Program with the Nashville Healthcare Council; Blue Raider Athletic Association; Alzheimer's Association; American Heart Association; American Cancer Society.

Member of Senate: Part of the 110th and 111th General Assemblies.

**Counties Represented:** Bedford, Lincoln, Marshall, Moore and Part of Rutherford—14th Senatorial District.



**KERRY ROBERTS** of Robertson County

Address: P.O. Box 200, Springfield 37172

**Date of Birth:** 9/24/61 **Marital Status:** Married

**Occupation:** Certified Public Accountant/

Business Owner

Politics: Republican

Religious Preference and Organizational Affiliations: Christian; B.S., Accounting, Lipscomb University; Member, Tennessee Society of CPAs; National Federation of Independent Business; National Rifle Association; Tennessee Firearms Association; Tennessee Right to Life; Chambers of Commerce for Cheatham County, Dickson County, Hickman County, Humphreys County, Robertson County, White House and North Cheatham.

**Member of Senate:** Part of the 107th, 109th, 110th and 111th General Assemblies.

**Counties Represented:** Cheatham, Dickson, Hickman, Humphreys and Robertson—25th Senatorial District.



KATRINA ROBINSON of Shelby County

Address: 425 Rep. John Lewis Way N. Suite 766

Cordell Hull Bldg. Nashville, TN 37243

Date of Birth: 1/13/81 Marital Status: Single

Occupation: Business Owner

Politics: Democrat

Religious Preference and Organizational Affiliations: Christian; B.A., Business Administration, University of Memphis; B.S., Nursing, Union University; Vice Chair, National Black Caucus of State Legislators; Chair, Shelby County Ethics Commission; U.S. Military Academy of Nomination Board; National Organization of Black Elected Legislative Women (NCBEL); Emerge TN Alums and Advisory Council; SRVS Advisory Board; Democratic Women of Shelby County; Top 40 Under 40, Memphis Business Journal 2017; Woman of the Year 2018, Barack Obama Awards SCYD; Top Young Memphian, Memphis Chamber 2016; Junior League of Memphis; Memphis Chamber ASCEND Program; Goldman Sachs 10K Small Businesses; Woman of Excellence (TSD 2016); Superwomen in Business Executive (MBS, 2017).

Member of Senate: 111th General Assembly.

**Counties Represented:** Part of Shelby—33rd Senatorial District.



**PAUL ROSE** of Tipton County

Address: 425 Rep. John Lewis Way N. Suite 734

Cordell Hull Bldg. Nashville, TN 37243

Date of Birth: 11/26/52
Marital Status: Married
Occupation: Construction

Politics: Republican

**Religious Preference and Organizational Affiliations:** Baptist; B.S., University of Tennessee Martin; Tennessee Baptist Children's Home, Board; Dyersburg State Community College Foundation, Board.

Member of Senate: 111th General Assembly.

Counties Represented: Tipton and Part of Shelby—32nd Senatorial District.



### STEVE SOUTHERLAND Of Hamblen County

**Address:** 425 Rep. John Lewis Way N. Suite 722 Cordell Hull Bldg. Nashville, TN 37243

**Date of Birth:** 3/8/55 **Marital Status:** Married

Occupation: Mortgage Broker, Retired

Politics: Republican

Religious Preference and Organizational Affiliations: Baptist; Walters State Community College; President, Mortgage 1st Corp. in Morristown; Member, Morristown Area Chamber of Commerce; Rotary Club; National Rifle Association; Chair, Senate Energy, Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee.

Member of Senate: 103rd, 104th, 105th, 106th, 107th, 108th, 109th, 110th and 111th General Assemblies.

**Counties Represented:** Cocke, Greene, Hamblen and Sevier—1st Senatorial District.



# JOHN STEVENS of Carroll County

Address: 161 Court Square, Huntingdon 38344

Date of Birth: 10/18/1973 Marital Status: Married Occupation: Attorney Politics: Republican

**Religious Preference and Organizational Affiliations:** 

Baptist; B.S., Political Science, University of Tennessee, Martin; J.D., University of Memphis; Member, Tennessee Bar Association; Carroll County Bar Association; Sunday School Teacher, First Baptist Church of Huntingdon.

Member of Senate: 108th, 109th, 110th and 111th General Assemblies.

**Counties Represented:** Benton, Carroll, Gibson, Henry, Obion and Weakley—24th Senatorial District.



**ART SWANN** of Blount County

Address: 425 Rep. John Lewis Way N. Suite 748

Cordell Hull Bldg. Nashville, TN 37243

Date of Birth: 10/17/52 Marital Status: Married

Occupation: Retired Businessman

**Politics:** Republican

Religious Preference and Organizational Affiliations: Episcopal; B.S., University of Tennessee at Martin; Blount County Chamber of Commerce; Member, Blount County Republican Party Executive Committee; Former Chairman Blount County Republican Party; Former Vice Chairman, Smoky Mountain Visitors Bureau; Former Member Tennessee Private Industry Council; Former Vice President, Student Government University of Tennessee at Martin; Former Blount County Commissioner 1978-1982; Former Member, Maryville College Building and Grounds Committee; Former Director, Maryville-Alcoa Home Builders Association; Former Board of Directors Overlook Mental Health; Board Member, Tennessee History for Kids.

Member of Senate: part of 110th and 111th General Assemblies.

**Member of House of Representatives:** 94th, 95th, 107th, 108th, 109th and Part of 110th General Assembly.

County Represented: Blount and Sevier—2nd Senatorial District.



Page Walley of Hardeman County

Address: 814 Shelby Lane, Bolivar, TN 38008

**Date of Birth:** 3/2/1957 **Marital Status:** Married

Occupation: Clinical Psychologist/Consultant

Political Party: Republican

**Religious Preference and Organizational Affiliations:** 

Christian, 2nd Vice Chair, State & Local Government

Member, Energy, Agriculture and Natural Resources, House member of the 97th through 101st General Assemblies, Former Commissioner TN Department of Children's Services, Former Commissioner Alabama Department of Human Resources/Services, Former Vice Mayor and City Council Member of Bolivar, Member Domestic Violence State Coordinating Council, Member Second Look Commission for Severe Child Abuse, TN Farm Bureau; Chair, American Insurance Trust, UAB Adjunct Faculty, American Psychological Association, NRA, NFIB

Member of the Senate: 112th General Assembly

**Member of House of Representatives:** 97th—101st General Assemblies.

**Counties Represented:** Chester, Decatur, Fayette, Hardeman, Hardin, Haywood, Henderson, and McNairy Counties



**BO WATSON** of Hamilton County

**Address:** 425 Rep. John Lewis Way N. Suite 706 Cordell Hull Bldg. Nashville, TN 37243

**Date of Birth:** 10/21/60 **Marital Status:** Married

**Occupation:** Physical Therapist

Politics: Republican

Religious Preference and Organizational Affiliations: B.A., Biology, Magna Cum Laude, University of Tennessee at Chattanooga; Baylor School Board of Trustees; Junior Achievement, Orchard Knob Elementary; Hamilton County Pachyderm Club; American Heart Association Volunteer; American Cancer Society Relay for Life; Past Board Member, U.T. Chattanooga Alumni Association; Chair, Senate Finance, Ways and Means Committee; Chair, Senate Rules Committee; Chair, Joint Pensions and Insurance Committee; Member, Senate Health and Welfare Committee; Member, Senate Commerce and Labor Committee; Member, Joint Fiscal Review Committee

Member of Senate: 105th, 106th, 107th, 108th, 109th, 110th and 111th General Assemblies.

Member of House of Representatives: 104th General Assembly.

**County Represented:** Part of Hamilton—11th Senatorial District.



**DAWN WHITE** of Rutherford County

**Address:** 425 Rep. John Lewis Way N. Suite 740 Cordell Hull Bldg. Nashville, TN 37243

**Date of Birth:** 10/22/75 **Marital Status:** Married

Occupation: Former Teacher and

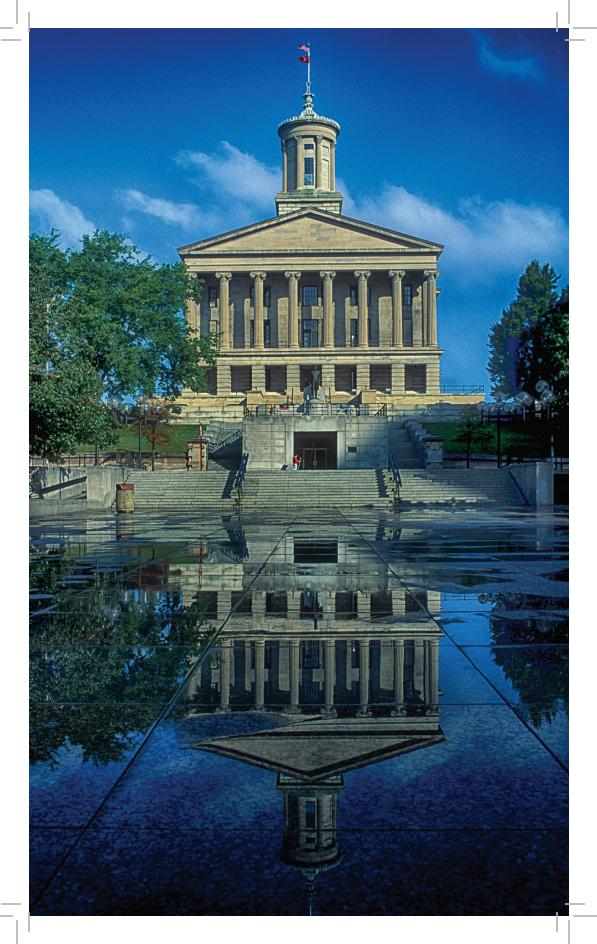
Small Business Owner **Politics:** Republican

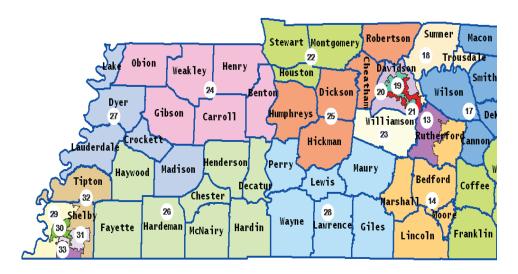
Religious Preference and Organizational Affiliations: Baptist; B.S., Middle Tennessee State University, Masters of Education, Middle Tennessee State University, Specialist in Education, Middle Tennessee State University, Member LifePoint Church, Member, BRAA (Blue Raider Athletic Association), Board Member, CASA of Rutherford County, Member, Junior League of Murfreesboro Sustainer, Board Member, Saint Thomas Rutherford Ambassadors, Member, Rutherford Cable, Member, Smyrna Lions Club, Member, Smyrna Rotary Club.

Member of Senate: 111th General Assembly.

**Member of House of Representatives:** 108th, 109th and 110th General Assembly.

**Counties Represented:** Part of Rutherford—13th Senatorial District.





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Senator	Party	District	Room	<b>Phone Number</b>
Akbari, Raumesh	D	29	762 CHB	(615) 741-1767
Bailey, Paul	R	15	736 CHB	(615) 741-3978
Bell, Mike	R	9	716 CHB	(615) 741-1946
Bowling, Janice	R	16	718 CHB	(615) 741-6694
Briggs, Richard	R	7	774 CHB	(615) 741-1766
Campbell, Heidi	D	20	770 CHB	(615) 741-6679
Crowe, Rusty	R	3	720 CHB	(615) 741-2468
Gardenhire, Todd	R	10	732 CHB	(615) 741-6682
Gilmore, Brenda	D	19	768 CHB	(615) 741-2453
Haile, Ferrell	R	18	708 CHB	(615) 741-1999
Hensley, Joey	R	28	742 CHB	(615) 741-3100
Jackson, Ed	R	27	746 CHB	(615) 741-1810
Johnson, Jack	R	23	702 CHB	(615) 741-2495
Kelsey, Brian	R	31	744 CHB	(615) 741-3036
Kyle, Sara	D	30	760 CHB	(615) 741-4167
Lundberg, Jon	R	4	714 CHB	(615) 741-5761
Massey, Becky Duncar	n R	6	776 CHB	(615) 741-1648



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Senator	Party	District	Room	Phone Number
McNally, Lt. Gov. Ran	ndy R	5	700 CHB	(615) 741-6806
Niceley, Frank S.	R	8	712 CHB	(615) 741-2061
Pody, Mark	R	17	754 CHB	(615) 741-2421
Powers, Bill	R	22	772 CHB	(615) 741-2374
Reeves, Shane	R	14	752 CHB	(615) 741-1066
Roberts, Kerry	R	25	730 CHB	(615) 741-4499
Robinson, Katrina	D	33	766 CHB	(615) 741-2509
Rose, Paul	R	32	734 CHB	(615) 741-1967
Southerland, Steve	R	1	722 CHB	(615) 741-3851
Stevens, John	R	24	710 CHB	(615) 741-4576
Swann, Art	R	2	748 CHB	(615) 741-0981
Walley, Page	R	26	750 CHB	(615) 741-2368
Watson, Bo	R	11	706 CHB	(615) 741-3227
White, Dawn	R	13	740 CHB	(615) 741-6853
Yager, Ken	R	12	704 CHB	(615) 741-1449
Yarbro, Jeff	D	21	764 CHB	(615) 741-3291

#### **COMMERCE AND LABOR**

This committee is responsible for legislation concerning commerce and insurance. The committee also has jurisdiction over legislation concerning banking and lending institutions; communications; regulation and licensing of occupations; protections of trade and commerce against unlawful restraints and monopolies; corporations; labor and industrial relations; consumer affairs and consumer protection; and unemployment compensation.

Senator Bailey (R), Chair Senator Swann (R), 1st Vice-Chair Senator Niceley (R), 2nd Vice-Chair

Senator Akbari (D) Senator Southerland (R)
Senator Johnson (R) Senator Watson (R)
Senator Reeves (R) Senator Yager (R)



#### **EDUCATION**

This committee is responsible for legislation concerning schools and secondary education; school employees, administrators, teachers and bus drivers; school employees' and teachers' pay and retirement, except where an appropriation of state funds is required; colleges and universities; employees of colleges and universities, including pay and retirement, except where an appropriation of state funds is required; vocational technical education; employees of vocational education schools, including pay and retirement, except where an appropriation of state funds is required; college or university agricultural extension service; school lunch programs; education and schools for exceptional children; cultural affairs; museums; and state and public libraries.

Senator Kelsey (R), Chair Senator Lundberg (R), 1st Vice-Chair Senator Akbari (D), 2nd Vice-Chair

Senator Bell (R) Senator Hensley (R)
Senator Crowe (R) Senator Powers (R)
Senator Haile (R) Senator White (R)

#### **ENERGY, AGRICULTURE, AND NATURAL RESOURCES**

This committee is responsible for legislation concerning energy; forestry; natural resources; conservation, game and fish; mines and minerals. Additionally, the committee is also responsible for legislation regarding matters relating to pollution of air, water, and land; parks and recreation; state parks and recreational districts; mineral resources of public lands; public and geological surveys, accretion, alluvium, and dereliction of public and private lands; watershed districts; soil conservation; soil conservation districts; flood and drainage projects; construction, improvement, and maintenance of waterways, lakes, and streams; registering and licensing of vessels and small boats; tourism; military parks and battlefields; environment; and agriculture.

Senator Southerland (R), Chair Senator Niceley (R), 1st Vice-Chair Senator Pody (R), 2nd Vice-Chair

Senator Bowling (R) Senator Robinson (D)

Senator Campbell (D) Senator Rose (R)
Senator Reeves (R) Senator Walley (R)







### **FINANCE, WAYS AND MEANS**

This committee is responsible for all measures relating to taxes and the raising of revenue; all measures relating to bonds and the bonding of revenue; all measures relating to the issuance, payment, or retirement of bonds; all measures related to the evidences of indebtedness; all measures dealing with the appropriation of state funds; the general appropriations bill; the deposit of public monies; Congressional relations; and assessment and collection of property taxes.

Senator Watson (R), Chair Senator Stevens (R), 1st Vice-Chair Senator Hensley (R), 2nd Vice-Chair

Senator Gardenhire (R)
Senator Lundberg (R)
Senator Gilmore (D)
Senator White (R)
Senator Haile (R)
Senator Yager (R)
Senator Johnson (R)
Senator Yarbro (D)

#### **GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS**

This committee is responsible for legislation concerning the creation of new departments, commissions, boards, agencies or councils of state government; the reauthorization of existing departments, commissions, boards, agencies or councils of state government; licensing and/or certification of occupational and/or professional groups; and review of regulations promulgated by Tennessee departments, commissions, boards or agencies.

Senator Roberts (R), Chair Senator Jackson (R), 1st Vice-Chair Senator Bowling (R), 2nd Vice-Chair

Senator Bell (R) Senator Kyle (D)
Senator Campbell (D) Senator Pody (R)
Senator Crowe (R) Senator Rose (R)



#### **HEALTH AND WELFARE**

This committee is responsible for public or private hospitals; health offices and their administration; institutions and services for persons with an intellectual disability; mental health institutions and facilities; geriatric hospitals; nursing homes; vocational rehabilitation including vocation rehabilitation homes; alcoholic rehabilitation; Department of Health; tuberculosis sanatoriums; nurses' training programs; public welfare; old age assistance; private and local institutions of public welfare; and research training and rehabilitation in the field of public welfare.

Senator Crowe (R), Chair Senator Haile (R), 1st Vice-Chair Senator Reeves (R), 2nd Vice-Chair

Senator Hensley (R) Senator Swann (R)
Senator Jackson (R) Senator Watson (R)
Senator Massey (R) Senator Yarbro (D)

#### **JUDICIARY**

This committee is responsible for civil laws; criminal laws; judicial proceedings; apportionment of elected officials and governing bodies; executors, administrators, wills, divorce, and other family matters; all matters relating to the courts, matters of court jurisdiction; matters relating to judges, including retirement, compensation, expenses, personnel, facilities, etc.; municipal and juvenile courts and justices of the peace; clerks of court, and sheriffs and law enforcement officers; and all other matters not covered by any other standing committee.

Senator Bell (R), Chair Senator White (R), 1st Vice-Chair Senator Rose (R), 2nd Vice-Chair

Senator Gardenhire (R) Senator Roberts (R)
Senator Kyle (D) Senator Robinson (D)
Senator Lundberg (R) Senator Stevens (R)



#### STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

This committee is responsible for forms of local government; utility districts; assistance to local and municipal governments; matters dealing with revenue and taxation levied by local governments; matters dealing with employees of local governments; matters dealing with expenditure by local governments; matters dealing with local ordinances; state and local government boundary lines; veterans affairs; penal and correctional institutions; public lands; preservation of historical landmarks and objects; holidays and celebrations; regulation of sale of intoxicating liquors; Adjutant General and National Guard; election laws; and state government in general.

Senator Briggs (R), Chair Senator Gardenhire (R), 1st Vice-Chair Senator Walley (R), 2nd Vice-Chair

Senator Jackson (R) Senator Powers (R)
Senator Kelsey (R) Senator Yager (R)
Senator Kyle (D) Senator Yarbro (D)

#### TRANSPORTATION AND SAFETY

This committee is responsible for highways, roads, and bridges; railroads; air, bus, and vehicular transportation; rules and regulations for highway, railroad, and air use; common carriers, except by water; pipelines; motor vehicle regulations; public works; facilities in connection with and navigation of waterways, lakes, and streams; and the Department of Safety.

Senator Massey (R), Chair Senator Powers (R), 1st Vice-Chair Senator Pody (R), 2nd Vice-Chair

Senator Bailey (R) Senator Gilmore (D)
Senator Bowling (R) Senator Niceley (R)
Senator Briggs (R) Senator Stevens (R)

#### **COMMITTEE ON CALENDAR**

This committee is responsible for scheduling bills and resolutions for consideration by the Senate.

Senator Jackson (R), Chair

Senator Johnson (R) 1st Vice-Chair Senator Yarbro (D) 2nd Vice-Chair

#### **COMMITTEE ON ETHICS**

This committee is responsible for enforcement of the Senate Code of Ethics and recommends modification of the Code of Ethics to the Senate Rules Committee.

**Senator Haile** (R), Chair **Senator Stevens** (R), 1st Vice-Chair

Senator Akbari (D) Senator Southerland (R)

Senator Johnson (R)

#### **COMMITTEE ON RULES**

This committee is responsible for recommending modification of the Senate Rules to the Senate.

Senator Watson (R), Chair

Senator Briggs (R), 1st Vice-Chair

Senator Haile (R) Senator Yarbro (D)

Senator Kelsey (R)



#### **Three Branches of Government**

The Tennessee Constitution, in the traditional American pattern of "separation of powers," divides the governmental structure of the state into three separate and independent branches.

The legislative branch has exclusive law-making power and determines the general policies by which the problems of society are to be met. It may delegate limited rule -making power to some executive agencies.

The executive branch, with the Governor as its chief, administers the laws enacted by the Legislature. The Governor's Cabinet and staff help him make the executive branch run smoothly and respond to the needs of Tennessee's citizens.

The judicial branch interprets the law and applies the Constitution. It serves as a check on the powers of both the legislative and executive branches of government. The judiciary rules on the constitutionality of legislation passed by the General Assembly and considers the legality of certain administration policies and regulations.

This structural division, faithfully maintained, establishes a system of "checks and balances" to ensure that all three branches properly perform their constitutional duties in the administration of state affairs.

### The Legislative Branch

The Tennessee Constitution provides that the legislative authority of this state be vested in a General Assembly, consisting of a Senate and a House of Representatives, both responsible to the people.

Representatives hold office for two years and Senators for four years. Speakers of the Senate and the House of Representatives are elected by the members of their respective bodies at the beginning of a new General Assembly every two years.

The number of Senators and Representatives is apportioned according to population. There are 99 Representatives, apportioned by the General Assembly among the counties or districts as provided by law. Senators, apportioned by the General Assembly, are not to exceed one-third the number of Representatives.

Both Houses choose their officers, establish their rules of procedure, and are sole judge of the qualifications and seating of their fellow members.

## **Legislative Sessions**

The General Assembly meets in organizational session on the second Tuesday in January as prescribed in Article II, Section 8 of the Tennessee Constitution. If it is a gubernatorial year, the Governor is inaugurated during this session. The General Assembly remains in session for organizational purposes not longer than 15 consecutive calendar days. Thereafter, the General Assembly sets the date for convening the regular session. The Constitution provides that the Legislature can meet for 90 legislative days in regular session over a two year period. A legislative day is when two-thirds of the Senate meet and transact business. The General Assembly normally meets January through May.

## The Senate Body

Tennessee's Legislature, like most others in our country, is patterned after the British Parliament, which has an "upper" and "lower" house. The Senate is often referred to as the "Upper House" of the Legislature because many of its members graduate to the Senate from the House of Representatives. The Tennessee Senate leans heavily upon tradition.

Tennessee has a "citizens' legislature" with most Senators being full-time business professionals in their districts. The Senate is comprised of attorneys, educators, farmers, businessmen, and businesswomen. Of the 33 Senators, each one represents approximately 200,000 people.

The Senate family has deep camaraderie among members; however, there are different opinions, priorities, and values; differences which truly reflect the diversity of the citizens of Tennessee.

### **Election and Qualifications**

The Tennessee Constitution requires that the election for Senators and Representatives be held once in two years on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November of even-numbered years. Senators are elected for a four-year term with half the Senate standing for election every two years by odd- and even-numbered districts.

A Senator must be a citizen of the United States, 30 years of age, and a resident of Tennessee for three years. Senators must also have lived in their respective districts or county for one year immediately prior to the general election.

Senators are paid \$19,009 annually. Like other state and local government employees, they are paid travel expenses when on official business and when in session. Senators are also provided expense allowances for maintaining local offices to better serve the citizens of their district.

#### **Forms of Legislation**

Legislative proposals can originate in either the Senate or House of Representatives in the form of bills, resolutions, and joint resolutions.

A bill is a proposed law and may be either general or local. A general bill has a statewide impact, and a local bill affects only a particular county or town named in the bill. A local bill is sometimes referred to as "permissive legislation." If the local bill passes the legislature, then it must be ratified by the local governing body or voted on by the people of that area.

All bills have three considerations and require a constitutional majority, or seventeen votes, upon the third and final consideration to pass the Senate. A resolution expresses the opinion of one house of the Legislature, whereas a joint resolution expresses the opinion of both houses. All resolutions are adopted by a constitutional majority vote.

## **Open Meetings**

Committee meetings and floor sessions are open to the public as prescribed by Article II Section 8 of the Tennessee Constitution. They can be attended in person or viewed via livesteam from www.capitol.tn.gov.





#### The Senate Chamber

When a session of the Senate convenes, Senators and their aides can be seen hurriedly walking "to the floor" or "to the chamber." At the sound of the buzzer, the chamber is cleared by the Sergeants-at-Arms, and the only people allowed on the floor during session are Senators, clerks, and designated staff members. Present and past state officials and guests, invited by the Speaker, may also enter the chamber during a session. To maintain the traditional decorum of the Senate, all members are requested to wear business attire.

As you sit in the gallery observing a Senate session, your attention will first be drawn to the rostrum where the Speaker is presiding. The Speaker occupies the "Chair", paces the flow of legislation, decides who will speak, and rules on parliamentary procedures.

The Speaker of the Senate is elected by the body to serve as the presiding officer. The Speaker represents a senatorial district and can therefore introduce legislation, vote, and even debate an issue. If the Speaker chooses to debate an issue, they must vacate the Chair, designate a member to preside, and return to their regular desk on the Senate floor.

## **Voting in the Chamber**

On each side of the chamber are the voting boards which display the names of the Senators in alphabetical order. On these boards are lights and when a vote is called for, green designates "aye," red, "no," and blue, "present and not voting." The Speaker will ask if everyone has voted and if anyone wishes to change his or her vote, and he then directs the Chief Clerk to record the vote. As the vote is tallied by the machine, it displays the number of ayes, nays, and not voting. At the top of the board is displayed the number of the bill being considered and amendments, if any. This information is compiled by the voting machine on a paper ballot which is recorded in the Senate Journal.

#### The Desk

In front of the Speaker's Chair is the Senate desk staffed by the Chief Clerk, who is addressed by the members as "Mr. Clerk" or "Madame Clerk" On either side of the Chief Clerk stand the Deputy Chief Clerk, the Journal Clerk, who writes the Journal, and Bill Clerks. All clerks, Sergeants-at-Arms, and Senate employees work under the supervision of the Speaker.

#### **Officers**

The Speakers of the Senate and the House of Representatives are elected by their respective bodies to preside during their two-year term. The constitutional officers consisting of the Secretary of State, Treasurer, and Comptroller are elected in a joint convention during the organizational session of the General Assembly.

Also, during this organizational session, the Chief Clerk, and Deputy Chief Clerk of the Senate are appointed by the Speaker for a two-year term. It is the responsibility of the clerks to keep clear and accurate records of the proceedings of the Senate. A Chief Sergeant-at-Arms is also appointed by the Speaker for the purpose of maintaining order and providing services.

#### Journals, Calendars, and Notices

The Chief Clerk of the Senate publishes a journal and a weekly committee calendar of events during the legislative session. The journal provides an official record which reflects all pertinent action taken on legislation. The committee calendar is a schedule of legislation to be considered on a given day by each standing committee. The calendar shows time and location of meetings as well as bills to be heard and is posted at least six days in advance of the committee meeting. Senate rules also require two days advance notice of bills that will be heard during floor sessions. Calendars and journals are of special significance to persons interested in the status of particular pieces of legislation.

#### **Rules**

During the organizational session, the Senate adopts its rules of procedure to be followed for the next two years. These rules provide for orderly proceedings and determine how the Senate will conduct business. Frequently, a legislator will move to "suspend the rules" to speed the flow of business, but at least two-thirds of the members of the Senate must agree to the suspension.

#### **Ethics**

In addition to standards administered by the Tennessee Ethics Commission, the Senate adopts rules establishing a code of conduct for its members at the start of each General Assembly. The Code of Ethics rule provides that every Senator conduct themselves to justify the confidence placed in them by the people and, by personal example and admonition to colleagues, maintain the integrity and responsibility of their office. Senators are prohibited from using the influence of the office for personal benefit and are required to disclose any personal interests in proposed legislation that would create a conflict of interest.

## **Enforcement of Authority**

The Senate has the power to compel witnesses to appear before the body or its committees. It may punish a nonmember guilty of disorderly or contemptuous conduct in its presence. The Senate is also the sole judge of its members and is the only body which can remove a member from office. It may punish its own members for disorderly behavior and, with the concurrence of two-thirds, even expel a member. Senators, in all cases except treason, felony, or breach of the peace, are privileged from arrest during a session of the General Assembly.

## Lobbying

All persons who seek to influence legislation, except members of the Legislature or their aides, must register with the Tennessee Ethics Commission before lobbying. Every lobbyist must also state any direct business association or partnership with any current member of the Legislature. The definition of a lobbyist includes everyone who tries to influence legislators, except persons who make a single appearance before a committee without receiving additional compensation.

## Senate Clerk's Office

The Senate Chief Clerk's Office is charged with managing all the official records of the Senate. This includes accepting legislation for introduction, maintaining appropriate files and records, and ensuring all bills are properly channeled through the legislative process. The Clerk's office is also responsible for compiling and distributing floor session and committee agendas, constructing accurate records of all proceedings and processing committee and floor amendments. The Senate Clerk's Office also manages public access to legislative proceedings through technologies such as video streaming and electronic document retrieval. All legislation, amendments, and live streamed video of committee and floor sessions can be found on the General Assembly website.

The Senate Clerk's office also manages the Senate Engrossing office. The Senate Engrossing office reviews all passed legislation to ensure every document is true to form and error-free. They are responsible for preparing the final copy of all legislation once it has passed both the Senate and the House of Representatives. They also prepare presentation copies of resolutions and proclamations.



Russell A. Humphrey
Chief Clerk

Education and Organizational Affiliations: B.A., Economics, University of Memphis; J.D., Cecil C. Humphreys School of Law, University of Memphis. Member, Tennessee Bar Association; American Bar Association; Phi Gamma Delta; Phi Alpha Delta Legal Society; Omicron Delta Kappa; American Society of Legislative Clerks and Secretaries. Commissioner, Mason's Manual Commission. Executive Assistant for Policy & Research

and Legal Counsel, Office of the Lieutenant Governor, 1998-1999; Acting Chief Clerk of the Senate, 1999-2000; Chief Clerk of the Senate, 2001-present.



**Alan D. Whittington** *Deputy Chief Clerk* 

Education and Organizational Affiliations: B.S., Marketing, Western Kentucky University; Tennessee Government Management Institute, Class of 2003; Donelson/Hermitage Leadership, Class of 2003-2004. Member, American Society of Legislative Clerks and Secretaries. Bill Clerk, 2001; Assistant Chief Clerk, 2002-2011, Deputy Chief Clerk 2012 - present.



**Ann Marie Walp** *Senior Policy Advisor* 



Nanette Mitchell Journal Clerk



**Katelin Brown**Scheduling Clerk



Maggie Herndon Journal Clerk



Jordan Young
Engrossing Clerk



**Beverly Williams**Assistant Engrossing Clerk



The Senate Audio/Video Production Office provides for the audio-visual needs of the General Assembly with a small dedicated staff, sophisticated multimedia tools, and a suite of control rooms for live multi-camera video production.

Every legislative session and committee meeting is recorded, streamed online, and the video archives are stored with rich, searchable metadata and made available to every Tennessean. The Senate maintains one of the most comprehensive and longest running legislative video archives and streaming services in the United States.

The Senate also partners with the Tennessee Public Television Council to broadcast live and tape-delayed coverage of their proceedings to public television. This partnership makes television coverage of the Senate available to 95% percent of the state.

In addition to its archives, streaming, and broadcast coverage, the Senate Audio/Video Production Office staffs a full-service studio and provides support for members of the General Assembly to address their constituencies through pre-recorded videos.

When the Legislature is adjourned for the year, the office perfects its archives and produces documentaries and serialized programming to explain the history, processes, and fiscal aspects of the General Assembly.

It is through the Senate Audio/Video Production Office that Tennessee Senate demonstrates its dedication to transparency and public outreach.



Jesse Alvey
Director



Raymond Temple

A/V Specialist



Billy Taylor

A/V Specialist

Station	<b>Broadcast Channel</b>	Cable Channel
WKNO Memphis	10.2	Comcast 910
West TN PBS (WLIT Lexington/Jackson)	11.3	Charter 191, Jackson Energy Authority 190
WNPT Nashville	8.2	Comcast 241, Charter 176, Google Fiber 75
WTCI Chattanooga	45.2	Comcast 201 and EPB 164
WCTE Cookeville	22.2	Charter Cookeville 191, Charter Crossville 191, Comcast Livingston 440, Comcast Smithville 1009, LightTube 13, North Central 142, Twin Lakes 211
East TN PBS (WKOP Knoxville/WETP S needville)	15.4 & 2.4	Comcast 204, Charter 189



## **Sergeants-at-Arms**

All Sergeants-at-Arms are accountable to the Speaker of the Senate under the supervision of the Chief Sergeant-at-Arms. The Chief Sergeant-at-Arms is appointed by the Speaker as one of the first orders of business during the organizational session of a General Assembly. It is the responsibility of the Sergeants-at-Arms to keep order in the chamber by securing the doors and admitting only appropriate people to the floor during session. The Sergeants-at-Arms also perform other functions at the direction of the Speaker.



**Don Keaton** *Chief Sergeant-at-Arms* 



Bruce Jackson Sergeant-at-Arms



**Dan Lee**Sergeant-at-Arms



George A. Woods
Sergeant-at-Arms



Ronnie Townes
Sergeant-at-Arms

## **Lieutenant Governor's Staff**

The Lieutenant Governor's staff manages all normal duties handled by the offices of individual members plus the additional duties unique to the Lieutenant Governor's Office. This office addresses constituent questions and concerns and tracks the approximately 4,000 pieces of legislation which are filed during each term of the General Assembly. They also coordinate the Lieutenant Governor's signing of legislation. They advise the Lieutenant Governor on important legislative matters being considered by committees and review all bills and resolutions scheduled for committee and floor action. The Lieutenant Governor's Office coordinates the schedule of meetings with constituents and other public officials.



Rick Nicholson
Chief of Staff



**Debbie Martin**Executive Assistant
to the Lt. Governor



**Chase Johnson** Senior Policy Advisor



**Pam George**Executive Administrative
Assistant



Adam Kleinheider
Director of
Communications



**Corey Russell** Security

## **Senate Leadership Staff**

## Republican Leader



**Luke Gustafson** Senior Legislative Advisor



**Ashley Harbin** Executive Assistant for Policy and Research



**Meredith Vitale Executive Administrative** Assistant

## Republican Caucus Chair



**Jacob Baggett** Senior Legislative Advisor Executive Administrative



**Rachel Offutt** Assistant



**Darlene Schlicher Press Secretary** 



**Molly Gormley** Deputy Press Secretary

## Democratic Leader



**Lauren Agee** Senior Legislative Advisor



**David Aguilera**Executive Assistant for
Policy and Research



**Diane Irwin**Executive Administrative
Assistant

## Democratic Caucus Chair



Malick Gaye Executive Assistant for Policy and Research



**Claire Patton** *Executive Administrative Assistant* 



**Brandon Puttbrese** *Press Secretary* 

## Speaker Pro Tempore



**Chip McConkey**Executive Assistant for
Policy and Research



**Kati Coats** *Executive Administrative Assistant* 

## **Constitutional Officers**

There are three Constitutional Officers: the Secretary of State, the Comptroller, and the Treasurer. The Constitution provides that each shall be elected by the members of the General Assembly; the Secretary of State for four years and the Comptroller and Treasurer for two years.



Tre Hargett
Secretary Of State

The Secretary of State is mandated by the Constitution to keep a register of all official acts and proceedings of the Governor. He also keeps all acts and resolutions adopted by the General Assembly and signed by the Governor. Other duties include: supervising and overseeing all Tennessee elections; licensing charitable organizations; receipt and recording of all corporate charters and annual reports; the receipt of all trademarks; the

execution of the notary commission; and receipt of all state administrative rules and regulations. He serves on the State Funding Board, Board of Equalization, Board of Claims, State Building Commission, Capitol Commission, Tennessee Competitive Export Corporation, and others. The Election Commission and State Library and Archives are part of this department. The Secretary of State has offices in the State Capitol as well as the Tennessee Tower.



David H. Lillard, Jr. State Treasurer

The State Treasurer is charged with various duties including accounting for the receipt and disbursement of public funds, investing available cash balances, administering the Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System, and investing the pension fund. His office is responsible for operating the State's Unclaimed Property Program, the Division of Claims Administration, Deferred Compensation and Flexible Benefits. The Treasurer is a

member of the Bank Collateral Pool Board, Board of Claims, Board of Equalization, Board of Trustees of the TCRS, Commodity Producer Indemnity Corp., Council on Pensions and Insurance, Defense Counsel Commission, Funding Board, Investment Advisory Council, Public Records Commission, Savings Institution Collateral Pool Board, Security for Public Deposits Task Force, Sick Leave Bank Board, State Building Commission, State Capitol Commission, State Insurance Committee, State Library and Archives Management Board, State School Bond Authority, State Teacher Insurance Committee, State Trust of Tennessee, TN Child Care Loan Guarantee Board, TN Competitive Export Corp., TN Higher Education Commission, TN Housing Development Agency, TN Local Development Authority, TN Student Assistance Corporation, Tuition Guaranty Fund Board, and the Workers' Compensation Fund Board. The Treasurer has an office in the State Capitol; staff offices are in the Andrew Jackson State Office Building.



Jason E. Mumpower
Comptroller Of The Treasury

The Comptroller of the Treasury is responsible for audits of state and local government entities and participates in the general financial and administrative management of state government. He is a member of the State Building Commission, State Capitol Commission, Board of Claims, Board of Equalization, State Funding Board, Tennessee State School Bond Authority, Tennessee Local Development Authority, Tennes-

see Housing Development Agency, Board of Standards, Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System, Health Facilities Commission, Tennessee Student Assistance Corp., Publications Committee, Public Records Commission, State Insurance Committee, Local Education Insurance Committee, Local Government Insurance Committee, State Library and Archives Management Board, Tennessee Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations, Information Systems Council, Tennessee Competitive Export Corp., State Trust of Tennessee Board of Directors, Child Care Facilities, Loan Guarantee Corp., Governor's Council on Health and Physical Fitness, Tennessee Sports Festivals, Inc., Utility Management Review Board, Local Government Data Processing Corporation, Tennessee Commodity Producers Indemnity Corporation, Workers' Compensation Insurance Fund Board, Wastewater Financing Board, and the 1996 Bicentennial Commission. The Comptroller has an office in the State Capitol.



"The Supreme Executive power of this State shall be vested in a Governor," according to Article III of the Constitution of Tennessee. The Governor is the highest state official and heads the executive branch of state government. In this capacity as chief executive, he is held accountable for the overall administration during his term of office. He must see that laws are enforced, taxes are collected, and that public money is wisely expended.

He is the recognized leader of all the citizens in the State and, in addition, is the state leader of his political party. As such, the Governor has a strong voice in shaping the policies of the national party of which he is a member. The Governor is the spokesman for all the people of Tennessee in national matters and their representative where a single voice is needed in matters outside the boundaries of the state.

The Governor is Commander-in-Chief of the "Army and Navy of this state" and of the Tennessee National Guard. The Governor has the power to grant reprieves and pardons, except in cases of impeachment.

The Governor is elected by the people of the state, specifically by the electors of the members of the General Assembly. He must be at least 30 years of age, a citizen of the United States, and a citizen of Tennessee seven years preceding his election. The Governor's term is four years, and he holds office until a successor is elected and qualified. Tennessee governors can serve one additional four-year term but are limited to no more than two consecutive terms.

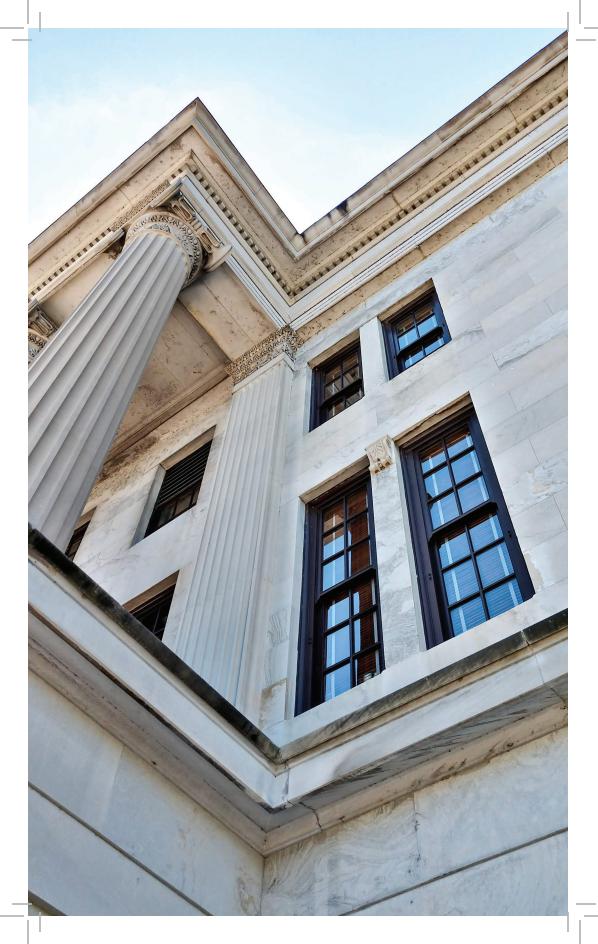
While the General Assembly has the sole power to pass bills, the Governor must receive every bill before it can become law. He then has the right to approve a bill by signing it into law; he can refuse to sign a bill, returning it with his objections in writing to the chamber from which the bill originated (that is, he can veto the bill); or he can fail to return a bill with his objections during the ten-day period he has to consider a bill after it is presented to him, and the bill will become law without his signature. Every joint resolution, except those dealing with adjournment of the General Assembly and those proposing specific amendments to the Constitution, must also be presented to the Governor for his consideration.

He has veto powers on joint resolutions as well as on bills. In addition, the Governor may reduce or disapprove sums of money appropriated in bills while approving other portions of such bills. The portions approved become law, while the portions reduced or disapproved are void unless both houses of the General Assembly "override" the "item vetoes" by repassing the bill or specific item, the Governor's objections to the contrary notwithstanding. A majority of the members to which each body is entitled is required to override a veto (50 of the 99 members of the House of Representatives and 17 of the 33 members of the Senate).



The Governor also has the right to call a special session of the Legislature and to appoint judges and chancellors to fill vacancies caused by death or resignation.

The Governor appoints commissioners to head the government's various departments. These commissioners, plus some of the highest ranking members of the Governor's own staff, constitute the "Governor's Cabinet." Commissioners do not receive legislative confirmation. They report directly to the Governor or to the Governor through one of his staff members. While most commissioners are located in offices near Capitol Hill, the Governor and his staff are located on the ground and first floors of the Capitol.



### **Senate Honorary Page Program**

Serving as a page is a unique honor with a rich history. The first pages were actually apprentice knights who served while they received scholastic, social, and military education. Pages who successfully completed their studies then became squires and were allowed to continue their education. Hardworking squires were rewarded with the honor of knighthood.

Pages were first associated with lawmaking bodies when they began appearing in royal courts. The term "honorary page" is applied to our guest attendants today because it recalls the honorable status and goals of pages in history.

Pages today have somewhat different roles. The information below will give you an introduction to our program. When you serve as a page, we hope that you will learn about legislative procedures and see firsthand the way the state legislature functions.

#### • Scheduling:

Paging opportunities are available on Monday afternoons, Wednesday or Thursday mornings. Please contact the Senator who represents your district to schedule. To find your Senator visit the legislature's website, *www.capitol.tn.gov*, then enter your home address under the "Find my Legislator" tab. You can reach your Senator at the phone number listed on his or her profile or through our toll-free number: 1-800-449-8366.

#### Dress Code:

While serving as a page you will be in contact with elected officials, and you may be on television as part of the coverage of the legislative session. We recommend dress clothes respectful of the Tennessee State Capitol. Clothing such as logo T-shirts, shorts, or flip flops are not appropriate for the Senate Chamber.

#### • Day of Service:

On the day of your service, please arrive at your Senator's office in the Cordell Hull Building at the appointed time. You will then be escorted to the Senate Chamber where you will meet with the Page Coordinator for a short orientation.

During the legislative session, you will be assisting the Senators and the Senate staff with duties such as passing out papers, delivering messages, making photocopies, and running errands. Pages play an invaluable role in helping the Senate run smoothly.

For further information, contact Nanette Mitchell (615) 741-1100 ext. 44311.

## How a Bill Becomes Law in

#### Introduction

Member files original bill with the Chief Clerk's office. Identical companion bill is filled in the opposite chamber.

#### Numbered by Chief Clerk

Chief Clerk examines to ensure compliance with rules and assigns the bill a number.

#### **Passed on Third Consideration**

A vote is taken and bill passes with majority vote.

#### Third Consideration

Bill is debated on Senate floor. Amendments may be adopted.

#### Bill is Engrossed

The Engrossing Clerk's office retypes bill, incorporating amendments.

#### Transmitted to House

Bill is proofed for accuracy and transmitted to the House.

### Transmitted to Senate Speaker

Bill is transmitted to Senate Speaker for signature.

### Transmitted to Senate Speaker

Bill is transmitted to House Speaker for signature.

#### Sent to Governor

Engrossing Clerk forwards to Governor for action.

Bill is signed by Governor.

Governor does not sign; bill goes into law ten days after Governor's receipt.

Bill is vetoed by Governor.



Legislature overrides veto with simple majority.



Legislature fails to override veto.

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#### Passed on First Consideration

Without objection, members pass bill on first consideration.

#### **Passed on Second Consideration**

On the next legislative day, the bill is passed on the second reading without objection.

#### Referred to Calendar

Bill passes with majority vote and is refered to Calendar Committee where bill is scheduled for full consideration.

#### Referred to Committee

Speaker refers bill to a standing committee. Committee studies bill and may hold hearings. (local bills do not go to committee)



Bill fails to pass; remains in committee



#### **House Action**

Companion bill is conformed and substituted and House members debate bill and possibly amend.

#### **Bill Passes**

The House passes the bill on the 3rd consideration. Bill is returned to Senate for further action.



Bill fails to pass; remains in committee





#### **Enrolled**

Final amendments are incorporated into the bill and it is proofed for accuracy.

#### No House Amendment

## Concur

Senate concurs in

#### With House Amendment

**House Amendment** 

#### Nonconcur

Senate refuses to concur with House Amendment

## Transmitted to Secretary of State

Bill is transmitted where it is assigned a public chapter number as law.

## Conference Committee report is adopted

#### Recede

House recedes from Amendment

## Refuse to Recede

House refuses to recede from Amendment

Conference Committee appointed to reconcile differences in amendments.



Bill fails to pass; remains in committee



For more information on the Tennessee General Assembly, visit our website at: www.capitol.tn.gov

